

HARRY THAW'S BRIEF LIBERTY

Matteawan, N. Y., Aug. 17.—Harry K. Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, escaped from the hospital for the criminal insane here at 5:45 o'clock this morning. A dart for liberty through an open gate, a leap into the open door of a powerful automobile that stood quivering outside, and a flight like a rocket for the Connecticut state line, thirty miles away, accomplished his escape.

Tonight he was still at large and the hospital authorities felt certain he was outside the state. Once, beyond its boundaries, Thaw is free. Only months, perhaps years, of litigation can bring him back to Matteawan, and then only in one event—that he be adjudged insane in the state to which he has fled.

Five confederates manned the car in which Thaw escaped and a big black limousine which trailed in past the asylum gate. The police have the descriptions of Thaw's confederates and the names under which they registered at a local hotel Friday night and are seeking them. The hospital authorities believed that Thaw had fled to the shore of Long Island Sound and boarded a yacht waiting with steam up to rush to Europe.

A reward of \$500 for Thaw's apprehension has been offered by Dr. R. F. C. Kelb, superintendent of the asylum. Howard H. Barnum, the attendant at the gate past whom Thaw flashed in his break for freedom, is under arrest, and other arrests are expected to follow in the rigid investigation begun by Dr. Kelb.

Mrs. Thaw Alarmed.
"Harry has threatened to kill me," Mrs. Thaw said, "and I believe my presence in New York prompted him to escape. Four years ago he told me, 'I suppose I'll have to kill you next.' Many men will have cause to fear now that he is free. He considers Dr. Austin Flint his worst enemy and undoubtedly will try to make trouble for him."

"The state of New York has a great deal to answer for in this case. What Harry Thaw has been allowed to do at Matteawan is an outrage to think of—bribery, connivance and keepers bullied by all the power of his money. And now he is allowed to escape. I suppose twenty or thirty thousand dollars look pretty good to some people."

"One thing is certain: Harry won't stay in hiding long. He'll be heard from soon. A few drinks makes him a raving madman and when that happens he'll head straight for New York. He's crazy to get here and he won't be able to stay away. I have made up my mind, however, not to worry. If anything is going to happen I can't stop it. I am awfully glad my baby is in London, though, and I think he'll be safe there."

"I am thorough, absolutely, with the Thaws. I was the happiest of girls until I met Harry. Then my life darkened and I was miserable, indeed. I determined last May to cut adrift from him. From that time I have been happy. I don't want to use his name because I think it is hoodoo. I don't want my baby called that name. I don't want to curse anybody with it."

Thaw Still at Large.
New York, Aug. 18.—Sundown tonight marked the thirty-sixth hour of Harry K. Thaw's freedom and the police of the United States and Canada have not picked up his trail. They seek him not as the slayer of Stanford White, or as escaped lunatic, but on a warrant issued at Poughkeepsie today charging him with conspiring with the aged keeper, Howard Barnum, and the five men who managed the asylum delivery. On such a technicality does New York state base its hope of bringing about the fugitive's return. Both factions of the doubled-barreled government at Albany, have promised rigid investigation and the exertion of every effort to bring about his capture.

Thaw's seclusion today and tonight, was absolute. Out of the cloud of dust which swirled in the wake of the black automobile in the wake of the liberators from Matteawan Sunday morning nothing tangible had come except a laconic letter from Thaw himself assuring his aged mother in New York that he desired rest and would in due time join her at the Thaw country place, Elmhurst, at Cresson, Pa. In obedience to this plan, Mrs. Thaw purposes to start for Cresson tomorrow morning.

His Mother Happy.
Happy, girlish almost in her joy, Mrs. Thaw exhibited the hastily scribbled note from the son whose escapades have cost the family a million and added that whatever Harry did would meet with her approval. This, in view of his announced intention of entering Pennsylvania, gave rise to the belief that Thaw was preparing to take his case before the courts of that state and relying on the kink in Tennessee laws relative to the insane charged with no crime, to oppose extradition and duplicate in Pennsylvania, if possible, the course of John Armstrong Chaloner, in Virginia.

It was in anticipation of such a move that the New York authorities caused the warrant to be sworn out at Poughkeepsie. Conspiracy, according to district attorney of Dutchess county, constitutes an extraditable offense. Close associates in the family indicated tonight that the ground work of a legal fight in Pennsylvania had already been laid. Dr. Britton D. Evans, the alienist who testified in Thaw's behalf at the murder trials, held a telephone conference with Mrs. Thaw this afternoon, and it was said that he would accompany her to Pennsylvania tomorrow. There are to be conferences with counsel and meantime it is understood Thaw is to remain in hiding.

Thaw Arrested in Canada.
Sherbrooke, Que., Aug. 19.—Harry Thaw, cut short in his flight from the state hospital for the criminal in-

sane at Matteawan, N. Y., by arrest today at the village of St. Hermenégilde de Gargord, just over the international line from New Hampshire, prepared in his cell in the county jail here tonight to fight against being sent back to the United States.

Faces Deportation.
Thaw faces deportation on the ground that he is an undesirable alien and extradition on a warrant charging him with bribery. The warrant already issued in New York state on a charge of conspiracy will not suffice to extradite him, in the opinion of the local authorities. These authorities received word tonight that the district attorney of Dutchess county, in which Matteawan is located, was on his way here prepared to swear to a warrant charging Thaw with bribery—an extraditable offense—if necessary.

In his own defense Thaw claims he was merely passing through Canada on his way to Detroit when his passage was interrupted by his arrest. He exhibited what he claimed to be transportation to Detroit in support of this claim, and cited the case of Jack Johnson to bear out his contention that he can't be sent back to the United States by Canadian authorities so long as he simply was passing through the country and intends to go beyond its borders.

District Attorney Conger, of Dutchess county, New York, it is understood here, wants Thaw ordered deported and returned to the United States over that part of the international line touched by the state of New York. Thaw came into the dominion from New Hampshire, however, and if custom is followed, he would go back to New Hampshire.

The Canadian immigration department at Ottawa wired the chief of police here this afternoon to hold Thaw under the immigration act, indicating that steps will be taken to deport him. This theory was made almost a certainty by the information that the department had sent two inspectors to Sherbrooke with instructions to watch the case and institute proceedings to deport Thaw.

Currency Bill Delayed.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Unexpected developments in regard to the currency reform legislation in the senate today promises serious complications for President Wilson's plans for the passage of a currency bill at this session of congress. At a conference of Democratic members of the senate currency committee, Chairman Owen, who has been considered one of the original framers of the bill now before the democrats of the house, made it clear to his associates that he was opposed to several features of the bill, including the plan for twelve regional reserve banks, and that he would recommend important changes in the measure.

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Up in western North Carolina they are taking heroic means to accomplish something in the good roads line—the good road leading, as it always does, to better towns and open country and bigger opportunities and development and larger values.

Here is the copy of a circular—a yellow circular at that—which is being sowed down on the roads of a certain section of that country which is away up high to the heavens:

"Any One! Traveling over a road will assist in its upkeep unless they are nothing! Buy a ticket to the picnic dinner, pay the lady solicitors something. Shovel dirt—or go through the woods as did the savages a thousand years ago. Be a man, not a Nothing!"

There's an old ex-printer in that country who says the wealth of scenery and atmosphere, crops and minerals and timber in the Chimney Rock valley. He decided to get into that country with a good road and make it possible to get the treasures out. Last Friday and Saturday there were two thousand five hundred days of voluntary work put on the road to begin with. The counties of that section of the state are to spend a million and third in bond-bought dollars on roads. The country is alive to the good road situation and is getting busy. Chimney Rock valley and the section about it are to be great shining examples to the rest of the good-road-needing South.—Athens (Ga.) Banner.

10 START ON TOUR.

Atlantic Fleet to Make Another Peaceful Voyage.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 16.—October 25, 1913, has been set as the date for the Atlantic fleet to start on its Mediterranean tour. Plans for the trip were discussed today by Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Rear Admiral Badger aboard the flagship Wyoming.

The fleet will return December 20 so that the sailors may spend their Christmas holidays at home. The ports at which it will call will be tentatively decided upon by Admiral Badger and submitted to the Navy Department.

Secretary Daniels also announced that the battleship Oregon, made famous by her run around Cape Horn from the Pacific to the Atlantic during the Spanish-American war will come through the Panama Canal next Spring to lead the Atlantic fleet through the Pacific. She is now at the Bremerton navy yard.

An invitation to all the navies of the world to meet at Hampton Roads in January, 1915, and pass through the Panama Canal to the Panama exposition at San Francisco, accompanied by a fleet from the United States, shortly will be issued by President Wilson. Secretary Daniels made this announcement tonight. The invitation will be in the form of a proclamation.

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Hundreds Worked Hard.

There was something doing on the Bat Cave road between Hendersonville and Chimney Rock Thursday and Friday of last week when nearly a thousand men lent their efforts for the repairing of that highway. Probably no thoroughfare in this section is in greater need of repair than the road to Chimney Rock and as a result of the two days getting together of the patriotic men and women of the section through which the road passed as well as others from distant parts, much good was accomplished. The weather mitigated against the work to an extent but there was considerable enthusiasm demonstrated by the companies and battalions assembled for the public improvement. The idea which had been suggested by J. T. Patrick of combining fun and work, resorted admirably and while the dirt flow and hills and hollows became level, and the volunteers felt that they were having a good time. Following the two days work there was a big barbecue at a place halfway on the road and there was jollifying and celebrating. Some of the prominent gentlemen present delivered interesting addresses all of which had bearing on the great work of better roads.

HUNDREDS ARE KILLED;

DYNAMITE CAR EXPLODES.

Mexico City, Aug. 19.—It is estimated that nearly 100 persons were killed and almost as many injured early this morning when a dynamite car exploded. The car ran wild down the hill from the powder works at Santa Fe, jumped the track and dashed into a trolley pole in the suburb of Tacubava and exploded.

Notes From Bear Wallow.

S. F. E. and W. R. Gruber of Marion, spent the week-end in the Gap. Dr. Geo. Oates and son Frank, Ed Hambricht, and Ed Patterson, have returned to Grover, N. C., after a few days visit in the Hickory Nut Gap.

J. E. Johnson and O. C. Bowman have returned to Morven, N. C., after a ten day's visit in this section.

J. W. Crow, of Matthews, N. C., has returned home after a ten days visit with friends and relatives in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Chapman and Misses Malinda and Birdie Wilkie, of Rutherfordton, have returned home after spending a week with friends and relatives.

Alney Waldrop of Converse, S. C., is a late arrival at the Oates cottage and speaks in high terms of the picturesque scenery in the Hickory Nut Gap.

Captain Hoskin, has arrived with the State convicts from the Pigeon Gap, to the quarters erected at Bat Cave, to begin work on the State highway.

L. P. Oates has returned to the Biltmore Estate Industries, Biltmore, after spending a two weeks' vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Oates.

The Bear Wallow base ball team played Broad River, Saturday, 13 to 6 in favor of Bear Wallow.

Ice Cream Supper.

The ladies of the Mills River Presbyterian church will give an ice cream supper, Tuesday evening, August 26 in the grove opposite O. E. Corpening's residence, for the benefit of the church. Everybody is cordially invited.

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